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An act to amend Section 66025 of the Education Code, relating to public postsecondary education, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1450, as introduced, McPherson. Public postsecondary education: fees.

Existing law provides for a public postsecondary education system in this state. This system consists of the University of California, the California State University, and the California Community Colleges. Existing law provides for systemwide fees for resident undergraduate students at these institutions. Under these provisions, the systemwide fees charged to resident undergraduate students at the University of California and the California State University for the 1999-2000 fiscal year are reduced by 5% below the level charged for the 1998-99 fiscal year.

This bill would provide that the systemwide fees charged to resident undergraduate students at the University of California and the California State University for the 2000-01 fiscal year be reduced by 50% below the level charged for the

1999-2000 fiscal year. The bill would appropriate \$412,320,000 from the General Fund to the Controller for allocation, in accordance with a prescribed schedule, to the University of California and the California State University for the 2000-01 fiscal year as a reimbursement for fiscal losses of the respective universities resulting from the fee reduction provided by the bill. The bill would only apply to the University of California to the extent that the Regents of the University of California, by appropriate resolution, make the bill applicable.

The bill would become operative on July 1, 2000, or on the date on which it is chaptered, whichever occurs last.

The bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 66025 of the Education Code is
2 amended to read:

3 66025. (a) Systemwide fees charged to resident
4 undergraduate students at the University of California
5 and the California State University shall be reduced for
6 the ~~1998-99~~ 2000-01 fiscal year by ~~5~~ 50 percent below the
7 level charged during the ~~1997-98~~ 1999-2000 fiscal year;
8 ~~and the systemwide fees charged to those students for the~~
9 ~~1999-2000 fiscal year shall be reduced by 5 percent below~~
10 ~~the level charged during the 1998-99 fiscal year.~~
11 ~~Systemwide education and registration fees charged to~~
12 ~~resident graduate students at the University of California~~
13 ~~and the California State University for the 1999-2000~~
14 ~~fiscal year shall be reduced by 5 percent below the level~~
15 ~~charged those resident students for the 1997-98 fiscal~~
16 ~~year. This subdivision does not apply to resident students~~
17 ~~pursuing a course of study leading to a professional~~
18 ~~degree who are subject to a supplemental fee pursuant to~~
19 ~~the policy of the University of California.~~

20 (b) No provision of this section shall apply to the
21 University of California except to the extent that the

1 Regents of the University of California, by appropriate
2 resolution, make that provision applicable.

3 SEC. 2. The sum of four hundred twelve million three
4 hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$412,320,000) is
5 hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the
6 Controller for allocation as follows:

7 (a) Two hundred thirty million six hundred forty
8 thousand dollars (\$230,640,000) to the University of
9 California for the 2000-01 fiscal year for the purpose of
10 reimbursing the university for fiscal losses resulting from
11 the fee reduction provided by subdivision (a) of Section
12 66025 of the Education Code, as amended by this act. This
13 allocation is contingent upon the implementation of the
14 fee reduction by the Regents of the University of
15 California.

16 (b) One hundred eighty-one million six hundred
17 eighty thousand dollars (\$181,680,000) to the California
18 State University for the 2000-01 fiscal year for fiscal losses
19 resulting from the fee reduction required by subdivision
20 (a) of Section 66025 of the Education Code, as amended
21 by this act.

22 SEC. 3. This act shall become operative on July 1,
23 2000, or on the date on which it is chaptered, whichever
24 occurs last.

25 SEC. 4. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the
26 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or
27 safety within the meaning of Article IV of the
28 Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts
29 constituting the necessity are:

30 So that the fee reductions enacted by this bill may be
31 in effect for the beginning of the 2000–01 academic year,
32 it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.

